

Minutes of the IWF Technical committee meeting AEST 10:00pm 7th of June 2020

Present: Mohammed Jaloud (Jaloud), Nicu Vlad (Nicu) Chairman, Matyas Lencser (Matyas), Sam Coffa (Sam), Reiko Kato Chinen (Reiko), Sirilak Thatman (Sirilak), Karl Rimbock (Karl), Milan Mihajlovic (Milan), Abdullah Al Jarmal (Abdullah), Italo Barattini (Italo), Mustafa Mahdi (Mustafa), Pedro Sanchez (Pedro).

All present, no apologies.

Nicu took a roll call and welcomed everybody to the meeting, with a special welcome extended to Sam whom he had invited to participate at this meeting.

Agenda

1. Update on IWF Executive Board recent decisions.
2. Olympic Games - Report
3. Proposed ITO Seminars
4. Possible changes to ITO's roles post COVID-19
5. Future of ITO's Roles
6. Any other Business

1. Update on IWF Executive Board recent decisions.

Nicu provided an update on the recent IWF Executive Board (EB) decisions.

Nicu reported that the EB has decided to restructure the organisation, as a result of the restructure the position of Director General was made redundant, this position was occupied by Atilla Adamfi, the new structure will provide for the appointment of a CEO which positions will be advertised, and Atilla can apply for the new position. Attila also carried the position of Technical Delegate for the Olympic Games along with Nicu and therefore the position of one Technical Delegate became vacant. The EB unanimously appointed Sam Coffa as the second IWF Delegate to the Tokyo Olympic Games 2020.

Nicu then requested a vote from the Members of the Technical Committee as to their support or otherwise of the appointment. All members except for one abstention supported the appointment.

The EB board further decided to unanimously appointed Sam Coffa as the IWF Liaison officer for the Commonwealth Games 2022 together with cooperation of the CWF. Nicu requested a vote from the Members of the Technical Committee as to their support of the appointment. The appointment was supported unanimously.

2. Olympic Games - Report

Reiko presented a short report on the current status of Tokyo 2020, with some Milestone dates. The key Milestone date being April next year when the go/no go decision will be made by the IOC and the Tokyo 2020 organising committee. All the information provided is already in the public domain.

3. Proposed ITO Seminars

There are two IWF Technical seminars planned at this stage the first being at 4:00pm on the 13th of June 2020 Lima, Peru Time, this will be for the Pan Americas it will be in Spanish and presented by Italo Barattini. The second Seminar will probably be a week later with the same content but presented in English. The contents of the Seminars was discussed. These are pilot seminars with the end results being that the IWF Technical committee will do these seminars in other continents and in different languages (Chinese, French, German, Japanese . . .), this will depend on resources available to do the translation and presentation in the language.

4. Possible changes to ITO's roles post COVID-1

Nicu requested that the Committee members come up with suggestions on how the IWF can reinvent Technical Officiating in the future, taking into consideration COVID-19 (this may become the new normal) and considering the impact of new Technology which has recently been deployed and also new Technology which is available to us now, for example Video Playback Technology (VPT), the deployment of this has already resulted in changes to the way the Jury operates.

5. Future of ITO's Roles

This was discussed with the above point 4.

6. Any other Business

Jaloud advised the Attendees of the meeting that they will be paid the Standard Technical Committee attendance fee of US\$500 for this meeting, the secretariat will be requesting Bank details from the attendees to organise transfer of the US\$500.

Nicu/Jaloud informed the committee that they were looking at different ways to compensate Technical Officials at IWF Events.

Currently ITO's are given a flat US\$ amount per day called a Per diem.

Suggestions where:

A. Split the compensation to ITO's officiating at IWF events into 2 amounts US\$500 for Travel expenses and US\$500 for Per diem per event. (This would disadvantage ITO's who have more than US\$500 in Travel expenses).

B. Reimburse the Travel expenses (or the secretariat books and pays for the travel expenses as per Olympics) for each ITO and nominal Per Diem per day US\$30/day for example.

C. Pay a Per Diem of US\$120/day (this would again disadvantage ITO who have significant Travel expenses).

The reasoning behind this was to treat ITO's as professionals and giving equal opportunities to all ITO's to attend regardless of ability to fund themselves or proximity to the competition.